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8	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
9	FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - WESTERN DIVISION		
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11	WESTERN WORLD INSURANCE COMPANY,		
12	Plaintiff,	DEFENDANT'S RESPONSES TO WESTERN WORLD INSURANCE	
13	riamum,	COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS TO PROFESSIONAL	
14	v.	COLLECTION CONSULTANTS, SET	
15	PROFESSIONAL COLLECTION CONSULTANTS,	NO. ONE	
16		Complaint Filed: 3/30/15	
17	Defendant.		
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19		STERN WORLD INSURANCE COMPANY	
20		OFESSIONAL COLLECTION CONSULTANTS	
21	SET NUMBER: ONE (1)		
22	TO ALL PARTIES HEREIN AND TO THEIR RESPECTIVE ATTORNEYS		
23	OF RECORD:		
24	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Rule 36 of the Federal Rules of Civil		
25	Procedure, Plaintiff and Counter-Claim Defendant Western World Insurance Company		
26	("Western World") requests that Defendant and Counter-Claimant Professional		
27	Collection Consultants ("PCC"), respond to the following admissions separately and		
28	fully, in writing and under oath, and that the responses be signed by the person making		
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them and be served on defendant within thirty (30) days after service of these Request for Admissions, Set No. One.

DEFINITIONS

1. The words "YOU" and "YOUR" shall mean and refer to Defendant

- 1. The words "YOU" and "YOUR" shall mean and refer to Defendant Professional Collection Consultants ("PCC") and all of its past and present subsidiaries, partners, affiliates, agents, servants, representatives, assigns, attorneys, experts, investigators, or anyone acting on its behalf.
- 2. The term "Western World" shall mean and refer to Plaintiff Western World Insurance Company.
- 3. The term "Hudson Action" shall mean a lawsuit in the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. BC570780, against PCC, filed on January 29, 2015 by Gregory Hudson.
- 4. The term "Pole Claim" shall mean a claim for damages against PCC initiated by a demand for mediation submitted to PCC on or about January 14, 2015 by former PCC employee Beblen Pole.
- 5. The term "McCann Claim" shall mean a claim for damages against PCC initiated by a demand for mediation submitted to PCC on or about January 14, 2015 by former PCC employee Lisa McCann.
- 6. The term "Western World Policy" shall mean the "Directors, Officers, Insured Entity and Employment Practices" liability insurance policy issued by Western World bearing policy no. PRL8000034, effective February 17, 2014 to February 17, 2015 to June 25, 2008, to PCC.

### REQUESTS FOR ADMISSIONS

# REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 1:

Admit the Federal Bureau of Investigation conducted a search of PCC offices in August 2013.

ADMITTED

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REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 2: 1 Admit PCC was under investigation by the United States Department of Justice 2 concerning PCC's debt collection practices as of September 2013. 3 **DENIED** 4 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 3: 5 Admit PCC knew it was the subject of a federal criminal investigation 6 concerning PCC's debt collection practices as of September 2013. 7 DENIED 8 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 4: 9 Admit PCC knew prior to February 7, 2014 that Gregory Hudson reported in 10 2007 what he believed to be illegal conduct by PCC to the California Employment 11 Development Department. 12 DENIED 13 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 5: 14 Admit PCC knew prior to February 7, 2014 that Gregory Hudson had stated to 15 other PCC personnel that PCC illegally obtained and made use of private financial 16 information of debtors and believed that PCC would be forced to close. 17 ADMITTED 18 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 6: 19 Admit PCC knew prior to February 7, 2014 that Gregory Hudson had told a 20 PCC officer that he was dissatisfied with his job at PCC because he believed PCC 21 illegally obtained and used debtors' financial information. 22 DENIED 23 24 25 26 27 28 Answers to Western World's Request for Admissions to Professional Collection CASE NO. 2:15-ev-02342 MWF (VBKx)

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REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 7:

Admit PCC knew prior to February 7, 2014 that Gregory Hudson had been served with a federal grand jury subpoena to testify and produce documents concerning allegations that PCC illegally obtained financial and employment information about debtors from the EDD and banks.

**DENIED** 

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#### REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO.8:

Admit PCC knew prior to February 7, 2014 that Gregory Hudson had been 10 | interviewed by an attorney from the United States Attorney's Office for the Central District of California and produced documents concerning PCC's alleged illegal debt collection practices.

DENIED

#### REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 9:

Admit PCC knew prior to February 7, 2014 that the criminal investigation conducted by the United States Department of Justice concerning PCCs alleged illegal debt collection practices potentially subjected PCC to fines or penalties.

DENIED

### REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 10:

Admit the document attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of the application for insurance with Western World signed by PCC President Todd Shields.

ADMITTED

## REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 11:

Admit Western World agreed to defend PCC in the Hudson Action.

DENIED 26

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1	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 12:
2	Admit Western World agreed to defend PCC with respect to the Pole Claim.
3	DENIED
4	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 13:
5	Admit Western World agreed to defend PCC with respect to the McCann Claim.
6	DENIED
7	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 14:
8	Admit Western World appointed defense counsel to defend PCC in the Hudson
9	Action.
10	ADMITTED
11	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 15:
12	Admit Western World appointed defense counsel to defend PCC with respect to
13	the Pole Claim.
14	ADMITTED
15	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 16:
16	Admit Western World appointed defense counsel to defend PCC with respect to
17	the <u>McCann</u> Claim.
18	ADMITTED
19	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 17:
20	Admit Western World continues to defend PCC in the <u>Hudson</u> Action as of the
21	date of this Request.
22	ADMITTED
23	REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 18:
24	Admit Western World continues to defend PCC with respect to the Pole Claim
25	as of the date of this Request.
26	ADMITTED
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REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 19: 1 Admit Western World continues to defend PCC with respect to the McCann 2 Claim as of the date of this Request. 3 **ADMITTED** 4 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 20: 5 Admit Western World has paid for the defense of PCC in the Hudson Action as 6 of the date of this Request. 7 DENIED 8 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 21: 9 Admit Western World has paid for the defense of PCC with respect to the Pole 10 Claim as of the date of this Request. 11 DENIED 12 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 22: 13 Admit Western World has paid for the defense of PCC with respect to the 14 McCann Claim as of the date of this Request. 15 DENIED 16 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 23: 17 Admit PCC is not entitled to attorneys' fees it incurs in the instant Western 18 World v. Professional Collection Consultants action. 19 **DENIED** 20 21 Dated: November 13, 2015 22 23 LAW OFFICES OF CLARK GAREN 24 BY 25 26 CLARK GAREN, 27 ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT 28 Answers to Western World's Request for Admissions to Professional Collection CASE NO. 2:15-cy-02342 MWF (VBKx) Consultants, Set No. One